

Docket No. 211648US2S-DIV

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hideo ANDO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 09/934,827

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FOR: INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD AND APPARATUS,
AND INFORMATION PLAYBACK METHOD AND APPARATUS

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SIR:

Transmitted herewith is a **Preliminary Amendment** in the above-identified application.

- No additional fee is required
- Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is claimed.
- Additional documents filed herewith: Marked-up Copy of Amendment

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 21-32 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 33-36 as shown below:

33. (New) An information recording method for recording information on a recording medium, comprising the steps of:

providing a recording medium having a first area and a second area, the first area being provided for allowing video information to be recorded therein and reproduced